
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO
SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **October 2, 2017**

**TRI-STATE GENERATION AND
TRANSMISSION ASSOCIATION, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

COLORADO
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

333-212006
(Commission
File Number)

84-0464189
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**1100 W. 116th Avenue
Westminster, Colorado**
(Address of principal executive offices)

80234
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(303) 452-6111**

None
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On October 2, 2017, we received from our member, Northern Rio Arriba Electric Cooperative Inc., as required by our bylaws, certification that such member has elected Steve Rendon to replace Tony Casados as the director representing such member on our Board of Directors. Mr. Rendon will serve on the External-Affairs Member Relations Committee.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**TRI-STATE GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION
ASSOCIATION, INC.**

Date: October 4, 2017

By: /s/ Patrick L. Bridges

Patrick L. Bridges

Senior Vice President/Chief Financial Officer